

**135861 to 135934.**

From Asia. Seeds collected by Walter Koelz, Bureau of Plant Industry, United States Department of Agriculture. Received February 13, 1940.

Unless otherwise specified, this material was collected in the vicinity of Quetta, Baluchistan, November 27 and 28, 1939.

**135861. ABELMOSCHUS ESCULENTUS (L.) Moench. Malvaceae. Okra.**

No. 5151. *Bhindi*. Altitude 5,000 feet. Plants grow up to 6 feet in height; fruit 3 inches long.

**135862 and 135863. ALLIUM CEPA L. Liliaceae. Onion.**

**135862.** No. 5113. *Lal Piyaz*. Altitude 5,000 feet.

**135863.** No. 5144. *Safed Piyaz*. Altitude 5,000 feet.

**135864. ALLIUM PORRUM L. Leek,**

No. 5142. *Gandana* or *Piyaz-i-khorassani*. Altitude 5,000 feet; eaten as greens.

**135865. AMARANTHUS sp. Amaranthaceae.**

No. 5139. *Chaula*. Altitude 5,000 feet. Used as a potherb.

**135866 and 135867. AMYGDALUS PERSICA L. Amygdalaceae. Peach.**

**135866.** No. 5098. A mixture of seeds obtained from the Baluchistan Government Garden. The garden catalog lists 16 native varieties, all but one of which have white flesh.

**135867.** No. 4463. *Aru*. From Peshawar, North-West Frontier Province, India, August 6, 1939. Fruit  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches in diameter, skin yellow; flesh yellow, red at pit, very freestone.

**135868. ANETHUM GRAVEOLENS L. Apiaceae. Dill.**

**135869. ARUNDO DONAX L. Poaceae. Giant reedgrass.**

No. 5171. A grass that grows in clumps up to 20 feet high and tolerates temperatures as low as  $12^{\circ}$  F.

For previous introduction see 135738.

**135870. BETA VULGARIS L. Chenopodiaceae. Common beet.**

No. 5183. *Chukundi*. Altitude 5,000 feet. Probably acclimatized.

**135871 and 135872. BRASSICA RAPA L. Brassicaceae. Turnip.**

**135871.** No. 5124. *Lal Shelgam*. Altitude 5,000 feet. Said to be a red, round variety.

**135872.** No. 5132. *Safed Shelgam*. Altitude 5,000 feet. Said to be white and globose.

**135873 and 135874. CAPSICUM FRUTESCENS L. Solanaceae. Redpepper.**

**135873.** No. 5133. *Mirch*. Altitude 5,000 feet. Said to be long, red, and hot.

**135874.** No. 5148. *Mirch*. Altitude 5,000 feet. Fruits top-shaped, about 1 inch long, red, and hot.

**135875 to 135883. CITRULLUS VULGARIS Schrad. Cucurbitaceae. Watermelon.**

**135875.** No. 5091. Altitude 5,000 feet. Fruit subglobose, 10 inches across, pea green with faint reticulations; rind  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick; flesh rose, of good quality.

**135876.** No. 4965. From Akcha, Afghanistan, October 26, 1939, at 1,500 feet altitude. Fruit 18 by 9 inches; rind grass green and  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch thick; flesh pink, streaked with yellow, of good quality.

**135877.** No. 5092. Fruit 20 by  $8\frac{1}{2}$  inches; rind pale green with broad chain stripes of black green,  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch thick; flesh bright pink, of good quality but rather seedy.

**135878.** No. 5094. Altitude 5,000 feet. Fruit 10 by 8 inches; rind grass green marbled with black green,  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch thick; flesh bright pink, of fair quality.